

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 04 Series of 2020

AN ORDER PRESCRIBING THE POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR THE PREVENTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES OF THE OUTBREAK OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) IN THE CITY OF DAPITAN.

WHEREAS, under Section 15, Article II of the Philippine Constitution, it is the State Policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people:

WHEREAS, there is a growing concern over the local transmission of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the Philippines:

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) had declared COVID-19 as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern and the Philippines has been observed, as one of several countries with confirmed COVID-19 cases;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922, DECLARING A STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES due to COVID-19:

WHEREAS, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) issued an Advisory dated 10 February 2020 through the recommendation of the Department of Health (DOH), urged the public to avoid attending, participating in, and organizing events that draw a huge number of attendees;

WHEREAS, due to the growing threat of COVID-19, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) issued a Public Advisory suspending the voter's registration while the Civil Service Commission (CSC) Career Service Examination Pen and Paper Test scheduled on 15 March 2020 has also been suspended;

WHEREAS, there is a need to prescribe policy guidelines for the prevention of the spread of the COVID-19 outbreak as a precautionary measure to ensure the safety and well-being of the constituents of our locality;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROSALINA G. JALOSJOS, City Mayor of Dapitan, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order and prescribe the following:

SECTION 1. Policies and Guidelines for the Prevention and Implementation of Precautionary Measures of the Outbreak of COVID-19 in Dapitan City.

A. Official travel of officials and employees to any part of the country and abroad with confirmed cases of COVID-19 is hereby prohibited.

However, in the exigency of service and by authority of the City Mayor, City officials and employees may officially travel to any places in the country, but they will be subjected to a self-quarantine in their respective houses for at least fourteen (14) days upon return, with close coordination with the City Anti-COVID 19 Task Force and the respective Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT), if the place they visited is identified with confirmed Patients Under Investigation (PUI) and Patients under Monitoring (PUM).



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- B. Official travel of the officials and employees of the National Offices station in Dapitan City, with authority of their respective head of office, may be allowed, will also be subjected with the provision of Section 1.A.
- C. All offices in the government, national and local, including government-owned and -controlled corporations (GOCCs), State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) and private establishments are hereby mandated to provide alcohol (shall be of 70% solution) and/or hand sanitizer. The alcohol and/or hand sanitizer shall be mounted inside or outside of every office, school or establishment for easy access and use by clients, students and employees as a means of precautionary measure in furtherance of ensuring the safety and well-being of every person;
- D. The public is strongly advised to avoid crowded places as well as to continue to practice self-protection through prevention. The Department of Health (DOH) strongly urging the public to avoid attending, participating in, and organizing of events that draw a huge number of attendees. It is likewise recommended that events that require mass gathering be postponed until further advice;
- E. The public is advised to observe proper hand washing, to cover their mouths with handkerchief and/or tissue while coughing or sneezing, and to wear protective masks whenever they are in crowded places.

SECTION 1.1. Coverage. This Order shall apply to this LGU, government offices within the jurisdiction of Dapitan City including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), Government-Owned and -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), schools both public and private, and all private establishments.

SECTION 2. Setting up of Checkpoints.

- A. Checkpoints shall be conducted on all major entry points in Dapitan City to perform thermal scanning on all individuals, coming into the jurisdiction of Dapitan City, to be administered by the personnel of the City Health Office (CHO), to be assisted by the Dapitan City PNP;
- B. During the conduct of thermal scanning, any person found to have body temperature ≥38°C, he/she will be interviewed by the personnel of the CHO for documentation. The said documentation will be properly endorsed to the LGU of his/her destination.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall remain in force and in effect until lifted or withdrawn by the City Mayor.

Done this 11th day of March 2020 in Dapitan City, Philippines.

ROSALINA G. JALOSJOS